NOTE XLI.

A NEW BUPRESTID GENUS AND SPECIES FROM THE ARU-ISLANDS.

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Semnopharus, v. d. Poll.

(σεμνός = magnificus, φᾶρος = pallium).

Caput mediocre, epistomate subproducto, subemarginato, labro producto, rotundato; oculi magni; antennae 11 *articulatae, articulis* 4°—11° *serratis.*

Prothorax brevis, trapezoïdalis, subconvexus, margine frontali in medio sensim producto, angulis anticis prominentibus, acutis, lateribus rectis, angulis posticis valde prominentibus, acutis, base ante scutellum truncata, utrinque nonnihil emarginata.

Scutellum permagnum, pentagonium, angulis rotundatis, base undata, in medio subelevatum.

Elytra subconvexa, humeris oblique truncatis, pone humeros nonnihil emarginata, medium versus subampliata deinde valde angustata, ad suturam satis divergentia, apice sexie-spinoso, fortiter punctato-striata, interstitiis convexis.

Prosternum fortiter inflatum, cum processu valido, obtuso. Segmentum ultimum abdominis maris valde emarginatum. Pedes sat robusti.

Hoc genus generi *Conognatho* affine, juxta ponendum.

Semnopharus apicalis, v. d. Poll.

Nitidus, elongatus, angustus. Caput aureo-viride, vertice cupreo, crebre punctatum, in medio linea longitudinali profunde impressa. Prothorax cupreus, sparsim tenuiterque punctatus, densius in lateribus, praeter marginem frontalem subtiliter marginatus. Scutellum obscure viride, impunctatum. Elytra fulva, pone medium subrubescentia, ad apicem macula magna subtriangulari communi atro-coerulea ornata, valde punctato-striata, interstitiis impunctatis, punctis aliquot pone humeros exceptis, spinis apicalibus validis, acutis. Scutellum et elytrorum basis prothoracem nonnihil superantia. Sternum, segmentum primum abdominis (macula fulva utrinque excepta), pedesque aureo-virides; abdomen fulvum. Prosternum sparsim, meso- et metasternum confertim, latera abdominis pedesque obsolete, punctata.

Long. 30 mm., lat. 11 mm.

Elongate and slender, brightly shining.

The head golden green with the vertex coppery; thickly punctured with a rather strong longitudinal impression in the middle; the antennae green, the antennary cavities small and shallow, cyaneous.

The prothorax bright golden coppery, shallowly and sparingly punctured, the punctures becoming somewhat more numerous along the sides, there is also a faint impression along the front margin.

The scutellum is obscure green with violaceous tinges, impunctate.

The elytra are fulvous, somewhat reddish below the middle, the apical portion is occupied by a large subtriangular dark steel blue spot, common to both, and there is a narrow black stripe along the base; as the specimen was preserved in spirits, the colour has become much darker, and will be probably yellow in fresh specimens. The shoulders are cutt off obliquely in continuation of the oblique sides of the prothorax; the diverging suture ends in a strong acute spine, and above this, there are at equal inter-

vals two others, the last one placed at the line of demarcation between the yellow and blue. The deep striae are filled with large, distant, shallow, black punctures, the convex interstices are impunctate with the exception of a few black punctures near the shoulders. The base of the elytra as well as the scutellum are at a somewhat higher level than the prothorax.

The breast, the legs and the first abdominal segment brilliant golden green, the latter showing however a large fulvous spot at each side, whilst the posterior femora show also a punctiform yellow spot near the top; the remainder of the abdomen is fulvous. The prosternum is sparingly punctured laterally, the inflated portion more densely; the meso- and metathorax are thickly, the sides of the abdomen and the legs slightly punctured, and provided with a scarce short fulvous pubescence.

My ♂ specimen was captured at Ureiuning (Aru-Islands) by Mr. Ribbe.